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Briefs

FSHISD Board of Trustees meeting, today

The Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting on June 27, 11 a.m., at the FSHISD Professional Development Center, 1908 Winans Road.

AMEDDC&S gets new CSM, June 28

The Army Medical Department Center and School change of responsibility ceremony between Command Sgt. Maj. Adolph Arista and Command Sgt. Maj. Sandra Townsend will be held at MacArthur Parade Field on June 28 at 8 a.m.

Academy Battalion gets new boss, July 3

The Academy Battalion change of command ceremony will be held at MacArthur Parade Field on July 3 at 8:30 a.m. Lt. Col. Dawn M. Smith will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Randall G. Anderson.

Processing Center closed, July 4th and 5th

The General Vogel Processing Center, Bldg. 367, will be closed to the public Thursday, July 4th and Friday, July 5th. All activities will resume on Monday, July 8th at 7:30 a.m.

Salute to the Union, July 4th

A display of the fifty state flags will grace the main post flagpole, on Stanley Road, as Fort Sam Houston salutes the two hundred twenty-sixth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on Thursday, July 4th at 11:30 a.m. The ceremony will also feature a cannon salute.

AMEDD Center and School and Fort Sam Houston receives new commander



Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr, incoming commander for Fort Sam Houston and the AMEDD Center and School, Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, commander of the U.S. Army Medical Command and the Army Surgeon General, and Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley, proudly view hundreds of soldiers during the pass in review at the change of command ceremony held at MacArthur Parade Field June 21st.

by Esther Garcia
Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs

Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley relinquished command of the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston to Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr at a change of command ceremony on June 21 at MacArthur Parade Field. Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, commander, United States Army Medical Command and the Army Surgeon General, was the host for

the ceremony.

"This is the home of Army medicine, this is the future of the AMEDD that is on parade, the soldiers in front of you, in this time honored ceremony of the change of command," Peake told an audience of 700. "The ceremony may focus on the outgoing commander who we recognize for great service and we are introducing to the units and the community an incoming commander, who is well known to most

of you for his outstanding leadership, but, really, the most important element at this ceremony, are the soldiers on the field, aligned behind those beautiful national, Army, and unit colors," continued Peake.

Peake commented on the excellence of the soldiers that Kiley has commanded here at Fort Sam Houston. "Not only soldiers, but the great civilian workforce that is amply represented in the stands today," he said.

Peake reviewed some of Kiley's major accomplishments during his two year tenure at Fort Sam Houston. Such as the success of the 91W program from the institutional training and doctrinal base, to guiding Fort Sam Houston in historic preservation and environmental responsibilities and with the events of Sept. 11 postured this installation for force protection and developed a far reaching training plan to ready the spectrum of the AMEDD soldiers and units across the MEDCOM. Peake also touched on Babs Kiley's involvement with the community leading to Army Community Service recognition, her tireless work as advocate for breast cancer awareness, as FSH team captain for Race for the Cure, her work with the school board, and carrying the Olympic Torch here at Fort Sam Houston.

Peake remarked Porr has the best credentials of any officer in the AMEDD to take this flag today. Referring to his background in Operational, Emergency and Family medicine, he told Porr now is the time to harvest that background, and build the AMEDD of the future, founded on doctrine and training developed here at the home of Army medicine, where

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Dealing with telemarketers

Fort Sam Houston Staff Judge Advocate

You finally found time for a family dinner complete with conversation just like TV families. Of course, the phone rings. You're upset and answer the phone – it might be important. But, instead it's a solicitor with a pleasant voice trying to sell you something. It happens all the time.

These calls interrupt your family time and are sometimes fraudulent. Consumers lose more than \$40 billion a year to telemarketing fraud. The Federal Trade Commission encourages you to be skeptical when you hear a phone solicitation. Telephone fraud knows no race, ethnic, gender, age, education or income barriers. Telemarketing scam artists can victimize anyone.

Here are some important guidelines for dealing with telemarketers.

- Telemarketers cannot legally call you if you've asked not to be called. If one calls back, hang up and report them to the Texas Attorney General.
- Calling times are restricted to the hours between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. local time. Telemarketing Sales Rule, 16 C.F.R. §310.4.
- Telemarketers must tell you it's a sales call and who's doing the selling **before** making their pitch. If it's a prize promotion, they must tell you that no purchase or payment is necessary to enter or win. Telemarketing Sales Rule, 16 C.F.R. §310.3.
- Telemarketers cannot legally withdraw money from your bank account without your express, verifiable authorization. Telemarketing Sales Rule, 16 C.F.R. §310.3.
- You do not have to pay for credit repair, recovery room, or advance-fee loan/credit services until these services have been delivered. Telemarketing Sales Rule, 16 C.F.R. §310.3.

Some telemarketing calls are not subject to the foregoing rules (Telemarketing Sales Rule, 16 C.F.R. §310.6):

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Bush reaffirms nation's need for homeland defense

By Jim Garamone
Special to the News Leader

President George W. Bush reaffirmed in a speech June 19 in Washington that his most important jobs are to defend the homeland and protect Americans from terrorist killers.

Bush, speaking to the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America Conference, said terrorists are after America because "we love freedom."

He said the terrorist groups cannot stand that Americans allow people to worship freely. "We love the idea of people being able to come to our country and realize dreams," he said. "We love the idea of people ... being able to freely debate issues. We love freedom, and these cold-blooded killers hate freedom. And that's why they want to come and hurt America. And we are not



George W. Bush

going to let them."

He explained the rationale behind his proposal to create a new Department of Homeland Security. Bush has suggested that more than 100 different agencies

with more than 150,000 people be combined under a new cabinet-level agency. He said the current state makes it difficult to coordinate efforts.

"It makes it difficult to do a job if you're trying to chase down 100 different agencies, because they're in different departments," Bush said. "The Coast

Guard is in the Transportation Department — and

that's fine, except for the fact that there's a new world in America where our No. 1 priority is to protect the homeland, and the job of the Transportation Department is not homeland security."

The Customs Service is important in

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Commander served with airborne and special operations units

Major General Darrel R. Porr assumed command of the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston June 21, 2002.

Prior to assuming command here, he was Commanding General of the Southeast Regional Medical Command and Dwight David Eisenhower Army Medical Center as well as Lead Agent for Department of Defense TRICARE Region 3 and Region 15.

Porr is boarded in Family Medicine and has worked predominantly in operational, emergency, and family medicine.

His previous assignments include Commanding General of the 44th Medical Brigade, XVIII Airborne Corps Surgeon, and Director of Health Services at Fort Bragg, N. C.; Deputy Commander Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Wash.; Commander, 67th Combat Support Hospital; and commander Wurzburg Army Hospital supporting U.S. Forces in Europe.

Porr has also been the director of a large Family Practice Clinic, the director for a 44-physician Family Practice Residency Training Program, and the Chief of Department of Primary Care and Community Medicine at Fort Bragg.

In operational medicine, he has served as the surgeon for a Ranger Battalion, the surgeon for Delta Force, the Command Surgeon for the Joint Special Operations Command, the Commander of the Joint Medical Augmentation Unit, and the Division Surgeon for the 82d Airborne Division.

He has served in combat as an Infantry Special Forces Officer in Vietnam and on the Laotian and Thailand border. He served as a military physician during the hostilities in Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada; in Lebanon and El Salvador in classified operations; as a part of the parachute assault and subsequent operations in Operation Just Cause in Panama; and during both Desert Shield and Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia, Iraq, and Kuwait.



Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr, incoming commander for the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston, thanks Staff Sgt. Robert Tilghman, 323rd Army Band member, who was the command bugler during the installation change of command ceremony held June 21.

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International diplomacy becomes part of Army toolkit

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Special to the News Leader

Diplomacy is becoming more important — and effective — for Army leaders working in the international community thanks to efforts of Christine D. Shelly, said the Army's top uniformed soldier.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki expressed that view June 18 during a Pentagon awards ceremony for Shelly, a Department of State employee who has served as his political advisor for the past three years.

Known around the building as the Army POLAD — a short name for political advisor, Shelly garnered the Distinguished Civilian Service Medal from the Army and the Superior Service Award from the State Department at the ceremony.

"The three years Christine has been working with me have been immensely productive, exciting, and I am doing

things today that three years ago I couldn't have imagined," Shinseki said.

One of those unimagined things was sponsoring the first southern European military chiefs of staff meeting last year, Shinseki said. That was a real challenge in getting the military chiefs of Turkey and Cyprus to sit at the same table and freely discuss issues and concerns. That meeting couldn't have happened without the active work and continuous sound political advice of Shelly, he said.

The Army award citation credited Shelly for keeping the Army up-to-date on positions being debated within the interagency community and implementing effective bridge-building initiatives that have brought the Army and State Department closer within the foreign affairs community.

Shinseki said he had never seen the importance of diplomacy in the Army until the Stabilization Force mission in

Bosnia was extended from being one year to 18 months, and then open-ended.

"The easy part of the mission change was putting together a military plan," Shinseki said, who served as the first SFOR commander. "The Army has a lot of bright young officers who have learned to put together a plan on short notice. The difficult part was getting it accepted across the 40-plus nations who were then in Bosnia."

In presenting the State Department award, Louis P. Bloomfield Jr., assistant secretary of State for the Bureau of Political Military Affairs, said Shelly possessed every quality of a successful military political advisor.

Bloomfield listed those qualities: loyalty to the commander she serves; a solid understanding of State Department and military policies and issues; a sharp, analytical mind; solid communications skills; and tremendous enthusiasm.

The awards ceremony marked the end of Shelly's job as the Army POLAD.

With 27 years on the State Department's Foreign Service rolls, Shelly will continue as both an Army partner and a State Department employee when she assumes duties July 1 as the Army War College deputy commandant for International Affairs at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Her previous positions include: deputy spokesman and deputy assistant secretary for the State Department Public Affairs; delegate of the U.S. Mission to NATO; and minister-counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa, Canada. She has also served in the U.S. Embassies in Lisbon, Portugal and Cairo, Egypt.

Dr. Rick Becker will become the new Army POLAD on July 29. Becker's previous posting was Panama U.S. Embassy where he served as the deputy chief of mission.

Agencies adjust to new homeland security responsibility

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protecting the homeland, Bush said. "It's part of understanding what's coming into our country and whether we want it in our country or not. And yet it's a part of the Treasury Department. The Treasury Department is not responsible for homeland security."

He said these agencies must come under one head whose everyday job is to protect America. He said such an agency must be organized so information flows freely, so there's responsibility and accountability, and to help agencies adjust to their new, primary responsibility of homeland security.

Bush thanked leaders of both parties in Congress for their acceptance and encouragement of his plan. He said, however, that he is afraid others in Congress may fight the plan to protect political turf rather than work together to protect America.

He told the carpenters that the war on terror is bigger than just a person or a network. "The war on terror is to address the threats that will face our children in the future," he said. Bush told the union that the greatest threat facing the world is the threat of weapons of mass destruction in the hands of regimes run by leaders who

hate freedom.

He said the world must guard against an al Qaeda-type organization getting weapons of mass destruction from countries like Iraq, Iran and North Korea and using them to blackmail the world. "I'm a patient man," Bush said. "We'll use all tools at our disposal. But for the good of our children, and for the good of freedom, we must not allow the world's worst regimes to threaten us and our friends and allies with the world's worst weapons."

Bush praised the FBI and CIA for finding new ways to work together to defeat the scourge of terrorism. He said finding new ways for the two agencies to cooperate would make America safer.

"The NO. 1 priority of this government is to button up our homeland so that the American people can go about their lives without ... fear of another attack from one of these killers," he said. "And we're making progress."

But defensive measures never won a war, Bush said. The United States will "run these killers down one by one and bring them to justice, he said.

This will not be easy because the enemy is a shadowy, difficult target. "You know, I can't imagine what was

going through their minds when they attacked America," he said to the union members. "I guess, and assume, that they thought we were so weak, so feeble, so self-absorbed, so materialistic, that after Sept. 11 we might file a lawsuit or two.

"But they found out America thinks differently. And they're finding out we've got a fabulous military."

Bush said the fiscal 2003 defense budget request is large for two reasons. First, "my attitude is anytime we commit one of our youngsters into battle or into harm's way, they deserve the best training, the best equipment, the best pay possible," he said.

Second, the war on terror is going to take a while to win, he said. "Just because we've routed the Taliban in Afghanistan doesn't mean the war has ended," Bush said. "We have got a long way to go to secure the homeland, to defend freedom and to defeat this enemy. And it's important for the American people to understand that."

He said the defense budget sends the message to enemies that the United States is in the war for the long haul. "There's not a calendar on my desk that I flip and say, 'OK, it's over, ... it's time to quit,'" he said. "No, it's time to quit when the homeland is secure."

Lackland hosts "Star Spangled Festival"

Special to the News Leader

Independence Day will be celebrated in grand fashion at Lackland Air Force Base's Amphitheater July 4th and 5th with fun for the whole family.

The "Star Spangled Festival" is open to the public. Admission to the carnival grounds is free with rides being individually priced. Event hours are noon to 11:30 p.m. on July 4 and 5 p.m. on July 5. Visitors may enter the base only through the Luke Blvd. Gate off S.W. Military Drive. Parking is free.

Festivities include musical entertainment, carnival rides, a children's area, a teen tent along with food and beverage booths.

Festivities on the fourth will also include a car show to be held at the Lackland Gateway Club. Registration fee is \$20 if purchased by June 29 and \$25

the day of the show. Anyone interested in participating in the show can contact the Lackland Skills Development Center at 671-2515

Concert gates open at 5 p.m. each day with children eight and under free. Concert ticket prices for July 4 are \$15 and can be purchased in advance at any Ticketmaster outlet or at the Lackland Amphitheater the day of the event.

The concert line-up for July 4 includes Merle Haggard; David Ball; Straight Shot; and Shawn Allen and the Bout Time Band. The evening culminates with an

11 p.m. fireworks extravaganza.

Concert ticket prices for July 5 are \$12 and can be purchased at the Lackland Amphitheater the day of the event. Performing on July 5 will be Cameo and Ram Herrera.

For more information call 671-3920 or 671-3906.



Monday, July 1st, 2002 is the 86th anniversary of the marriage of then Lieutenant Dwight D. Eisenhower and Mamie Doud. Eisenhower had been serving the first of his two tours of duty at Fort Sam Houston. Mamie and her parents had been visiting San Antonio in October 1915 when they were introduced. After the wedding, they lived in building 688 on Infantry Post.

2001 Drinking Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)

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Special Notice for the elderly, infants, cancer patients, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the Water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what’s in your drinking water.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from Ground water sources. It comes from EDWARDS AQUIFER. TNRCC will be reviewing all of Texas’ drinking water sources. The source water assessment process will be completed in three years. It is important to protect your drinking water by protecting your water source.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants.

The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effect can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791)

About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored constituents which have been found in your drinking water. U.S. EPA requires water systems to test up To 97 constituents

Secondary constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concerns. Therefore, secondaries are re-quired to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.



Definitions

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)

The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of health safety.

Treatment Technique (TT) –

A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL) -

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units
MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
pCi/l - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm - part per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppt - part per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

Inorganics (Fort Sam Houston)

Year	Constituent	Highest Level at Any Sampling Point	Range of Detected Levels	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
1996	Barium	0.107	0.0750-0.1070	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Fluoride	0.2	0.2000-0.2000	4	4	ppm	Eroision of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
1999	Nitrate	1. 92	1.7100-1.9200	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Sodium	11	10.0000-11.0000	NA	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; By-product of oil field activity.

NA=MCL not applicable-not regulated. Special Monitoring Requirement.

Organics NOT TESTED FOR OR NOT DETECTED

Disinfection By-Products

Year	Constituent	Average of All Sampling Points	Range of Detected Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2002	Total Trihalomethanes	8.2	8.20-8.20	100	0	ppb	By-product of drinking chlorination.

Unregulated Contaminants NOT TESTED FOR NOT DETECTED

Lead and Copper

Year	Constituent	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2001	Cooper	1.0700	1	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits. Leaching from wood preserv atives.
2001	Lead	3.8000	1	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Total Coliform Not Detected
Fecal Coliform Not Detected

New department’s highest priority: prevent future attacks

By Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem, USA
American Forces Press Service

Preventing future terrorist attacks will be the No. 1 priority of the new Department of Homeland Security proposed by President Bush.

White House homeland security director Tom Ridge outlined the goals of the proposed new cabinet department during testimony today before the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee. He said the current patchwork of activities related to homeland security would transform as members of a single, integrated department.

Currently, responsibility for protecting America is dispersed among more than 100 different government organizations, he said.

Ridge has been director of the Office of Homeland Security since that office’s inception in October 2001. By executive order, he’s charged to lead a transition planning office under the Office of Management and Budget to create the new department.

Ridge told senators he hopes the new department will put more security officers in the field to fight terrorism and to reduce redundancy among agencies that “drain(s) away critical homeland security resources.”

He likened the National Strategy for Homeland Security to the National Security Strategy as “the intellectual underpinning to guide the decision making of planners, budgeters and policy makers for years to come.” Ridge said Bush is expected to announce the homeland security strategy sometime “later this summer.”

The basic tenets of the homeland security strategy will be taken care of by the new Department of Homeland Security.

Because terrorism is a global threat, complete control

“The new department would unify government’s efforts to secure our borders and the transportation systems that move people from our borders to anywhere within our country within hours,”

Tom Ridge
White House homeland security director

over who and what enters the United States is essential. “We must prevent foreign terrorists from entering and bringing in instruments of terror, while at the same time facilitate the legal flow of people and goods on which our economy depends,” Ridge said.

He noted five separate departments currently share responsibility for aspects of this critical mission. The new department would unify authority over the Coast Guard (Transportation Department), Customs Service (Treasury), Immigration and Naturalization Service (Justice), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (Agriculture), and the recently created Transportation Security Administration.

“The new department would unify government’s efforts to secure our borders and the transportation systems that move people from our borders to anywhere within our country within hours,” Ridge said.

Although prevention is the most important goal, “we cannot assume that we will always succeed, therefore we must also prepare to recover as quickly as possible from attacks that do occur,” he said.

The new department would control federal grant programs for local and state first responders such as the fire fighters, the police and emergency medical person-

nel. Ridge called these first responders, “the humble heroes that we kind of took for granted in our communities before 9-11 and suddenly are now a forefront of our efforts.”

The new department would oversee a national incident- response plan that would consolidate existing federal government emergency response plans into one genuinely all- hazard plan, Ridge said.

The department would also see to it that all first responders have the equipment and training they need to do their jobs more effectively and efficiently.

Current efforts to counter threats from weapons of mass destruction are “too few and too fragmented,” Ridge said. He said there’s no doubt that if terrorists acquired such weapons they’d use them.

“We must launch a systematic national effort against these weapons that is equal in size to the threat they pose,” Ridge said.

Such a national effort would incorporate state and local authorities as well. “The Department of Homeland Security would set national policy and establish guidelines for state and local governments to plan for the unthinkable and direct exercises and drills for federal state and local officials,” he said.

Ridge said the proposal to create a Department of Homeland Security is “the most significant transformation of the United States government since 1947.” He said he believes Congress and the Bush administration may have occasional differences of opinion in how to reach these goals, but that there is “unanimity of purpose, ... a shared sense of urgency, (and) a shared commitment to getting it done.”

DoD approves Armed Forces picture book

by Jonathan Williamson

WASHINGTON (Army News Service, June 21, 2002) — Civilian photographers will be taking pictures on Army posts throughout the world Oct. 7 for a coffee-table book titled “A Day in the Life of the United States Military.”

A request by Epicenter Communications of Sausalito, Calif., to have more than 100 commercial photographers take pictures on military installations was recently approved by the Department of Defense.

Oct. 7 was chosen to shoot the photographs because it marks the one-year anniversary of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, said a DoD news release.

The publishers plan for the picture book to go on sale beginning Armed Forces Day, May 2003.

The book will attempt to capture a day on military installations all over the world through pictures. Photo subjects will include civilians and Department of

Defense officials, as well as service members. Coverage will range from a civil affairs unit in the Balkans to basic trainees getting a haircut, DoD officials said.

To facilitate the project, Army major commands are being asked to recommend 12 shooting locations and photography suggestions to Department of the Army by July 1.

Matthew Naythons, a physician and award-winning Time magazine photojournalist, founded Epicenter Communications in 1991. The company has produced several coffee-table books on numerous subjects including Christmas around the world, the auto races at Daytona, and war in Sarajevo.

Photographers who will work on “A Day in the Life of the U.S. Military,” include Naythons, David Kennerly and Lew Korman.

Kennerly, a contributing editor to Newsweek magazine since 1996 and Pulitzer Prize winner, photographed the Pentagon burning after it was attacked by

terrorists on Sept. 11.

Many of the photographers involved in the project are Pulitzer Prize winners.

Naythons and others are best known for their book “A Day in the Life of America,” a book that contained pictures of Americans, both ordinary and famous, throughout the country, said a news release.

There will also be up to 15 military photographers working on the project. These photographers may be used to shoot locations not normally open to the

American public, officials said.

Most of the military photographers will come from Combat Camera, a unit that provides global photography support for the military. If the Army is engaged in combat on Oct. 7, arrangements will be made to incorporate photographs of battle, according to a DoD release.

“If we are in armed conflict, arrangements will be made, when possible, for this to be photographed as well for the book,” stated the release.

Fort Sam Houston Commissary future sale events:

Fort Sam Houston, Commissary, Truckload Case - Lot Sales, Friday, June 28, 2002, through Sunday, June 30, 2002, 0900-1800.

Fort Sam Houston Commissary will be open Thursday, July 4, 2002, 0900-1800.

As always we appreciate and thank you for your continued business. Happy Shopping at your Fort Sam Houston Commissary. Have a great summer.

Water Conservation Tips

For approximately \$10 to \$20, the average homeowner can install two low-flow shower heads, place dams or bottles in the toilet tanks, install low-flow aerators on the faucets, and repair dripping faucets and leaking toilets. This could save 10,000 to more than 25,000 gallons per year for a family of four, and would pay for itself in less than a year! Even more could be saved if good outdoor water conservation is practiced for the lawn and garden.

Here are some water-saving tips to help you conserve water and lower your water bill: **In The Bathroom...**

1. Install a low-flow showerhead that limits the flow from the shower to less than three gallons per minute.
 2. Take short showers and install a cutoff valve, or turn the water off while washing and back on again only to rinse.
 3. Take a shower instead of taking a bath. Showers with low-flow showerheads often use less water than taking a bath.
 4. Reduce the level of the water being used in a bathtub by one or two inches if a shower is not available.
 5. Shampoo hair in the shower. Shampooing in the shower takes only a little more water than is used to shampoo hair during a bath and much less than shampooing and bathing separately.
 6. When building a new home or remodeling a bathroom, install a new low-volume flush toilet that uses only 1.6 gallons per flush.
 7. Test toilets for leaks. Add a few drops of food coloring or a dye tablet to the water in the tank, but do not flush the toilet. Watch to see if the coloring appears in the bowl with a few minutes. If it does, the toilet has a silent leak that needs to be repaired.
 8. Use a toilet tank displacement device such as a toilet dam or bag. Also, a plastic bottle can be filled with stones or water, recapped, and placed in the toilet tank. These devices will reduce the volume of water in the tank but will still provide enough for flushing. (Bricks are not recommended since they eventually crumble and could damage the working mechanism.) Displacement devices are not recommended with new low-volume flush toilet.
 9. Never use the toilet to dispose of cleansing tissues, cigarette butts, or other trash. This wastes a great deal of water and also places an unnecessary load on the sewage treatment plant or septic tank.
 10. Do not use hot water when cold will do. Water and energy can be saved by washing hands with soap and cold water. Hot water should be added only when hands are especially dirty.
 11. When brushing teeth, turn the water off until it is time to rinse.
 12. Do not let the water run when washing hands. Water should be turned off while washing and scrubbing and be turned on again to rinse. A cutoff valve may be installed on the faucet.
 13. When shaving, fill the lavatory basin with hot water instead of letting the water run continuously.
 14. Install faucet aerators to reduce water consumption.
- In The Kitchen...**
15. Scrape the dishes clean instead of rinsing them before washing. There is no need to rinse unless they are heavily soiled.
 16. Use a pan of water (or place a stopper in the sink) for washing and rinsing pots, pans, dishes, and cooking implements, rather than turning on the water faucet each time a rinse is needed.
 17. Never run the dishwasher without a full load. This practice will save water, energy, detergent, and money.
 18. Use the garbage disposal sparingly or start a compost pile.

Water use restrictions, stage I, announced

The Aquifer Management Plan restricts water use based on specific levels of the Edwards Aquifer.

Stage One Alert, currently in effect, begins when the aquifer level reaches 650 feet mean sea level at the monitored well. Look for well levels every day in the San Antonio Express-News newspaper or www.saws.org. Remember, year round, landscape watering is not allowed after 10 a.m. and before 8 p.m. every day, except with a hand held hose or five gallon bucket; charity car washes are permitted only at certified commercial car wash facilities; and water waste is prohibited at all times.

Water waste is prohibited to include, allowing water to run off onto a gutter, ditch, or drain; or failing to repair a controllable leak.

Residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural Edwards Aquifer water users should reduce water consumption by any means available.

Restaurants serve water only on request.

Pools must be covered at least 25% when not in use.

Watering with an irrigation system or sprinkler is permitted only once a week on the designated watering day before 10 a.m. and after 8 p.m.

Last digit of address	Day
0 or 1	Monday
2 or 3	Tuesday
4 or 5	Wednesday
6 or 7	Thursday
8 or 9	Friday

Watering with hand-held hose or drip irrigation is permitted any day.

Washing impervious cover such as parking lots, driveways, streets or sidewalks is prohibited.

Non-commercial washing of vehicles and mobile equipment (e.g. washing vehicles at a residence) is permitted only on assigned residential landscaping sprinkling watering days and time with a hose using an automatic shut-off nozzle or bucket of 5 gallons or less.

The use of commercial vehicle wash facilities is permitted any day.

Aesthetic fountains, waterfalls, etc. (outdoor and/or indoor) are prohibited.



The use of treated wastewater is a defense to prosecution under this paragraph.

Stage I restrictions continue until there is an announcement in the newspaper that Stage I has been canceled or that Stage II is in effect.

To report violations on Fort Sam Houston call the Provost Marshall Military Police Desk Sergeant at 221-2222.

418th Med Log Co. takes care of equipment in Japan

By 1st Lt. Erin S McLaughlin
Special to the News Leader

Many soldiers join the military for the opportunity to travel the world. A team of 13 soldiers from the 147th Medical Logistics Battalion, now the 418th Medical Logistics Company, did just that.

The medical maintenance technicians and medical supply specialists made a 15-hour flight to Tokyo, Japan and bus ride to Camp Zama May 22. The team traveled half way around the world for a 22-day mission to provide medical maintenance and medical supply support to Sagami Army Depot, Japan.

The depot manages and maintains supply class VIII (medical supplies) Army Pre-positioned Stocks and the Surgeon General's contingency material at Sagami Army Depot and performs periodic maintenance

checks of all equipment assigned to the Deployable Medical Systems at Sagami Army Depot.

During the 22 days the medical maintenance team completed 451 preventative maintenance calibrations and safety checks on equipment for a general hospital, a field hospital and repairs for a second general hospital.

From defibrillators to surgical sinks, every piece of equipment was checked against rigorous standards. The contributions of the medical maintenance team insure that equipment is ready in case of hospital activation and for field exercises. Maintenance techs enjoyed great working conditions and an endless stream of equipment needing their expert skills. Excited to be knee-deep in equipment and in Japan, motivation was high and

the work ethic amiable.

The medical supply team consisted of four 91Js. These soldiers arrived to find four warehouses full of class VIII for four hospitals that needed to be organized. Just how much is that? It is about the size of the Post Exchange full of boxes, stacked two stories high. Conquering the challenge of the communication barrier between their Japanese forklift drivers and record keepers, they completed the reorganization of these hospitals with ease and finesse. Sgt Wilhelmina Beverly led the charge modeling her plan of attack after reorganization completed on another hospital by the unit during MEDEX 2000. Her leadership and competent crew made the daunting task look easy. Sgt Beverly also provided automation training on the accountable system used to

track supplies and equipment in the hospitals to a Department of Defense civilian, Japanese local nationals and 91Js.

The soldiers enjoyed a wonderful Moral, Welfare and Recreation program based at Camp Zama and made the most

out of the short time they had in Japan. Soldiers spent off days at Tokyo Disney, Climbing Mount Fuji and touring Tokyo. On June 13th they returned a little worldlier and left the depot poised for success in future missions.

SPC Debanish K Velez, examines technical diagrams before beginning repairs on a ISO X-ray unit



Photo by 1LT Erin S McLaughlin

147th MEDLOG inactivated, June 12



photo by Esther Garcia
Lt. Col. Christopher Harrington, commander 147th Medical Logistics Battalion, and Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffron Butler, activate the 418th Medical Logistics Company during the activation ceremony held June 12. Also activated were the 591st Medical Logistics Company and the 440th Blood Support Detachment. These separate companies will provide medical supplies, optical fabrication, bio-medial equipment maintenance, and blood support to division and corps medical units on the battlefield.



photo by Esther Garcia
Lt. Col. Christopher Harrington, commander, 147th Medical Logistics Battalion, assists Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffron Butler and Col. Douglas A. Biggerstaff, furl the battalion color during the 147th MEDLOG Battalion Inactivation Ceremony. Biggerstaff, commander, U.S. Army Garrison, was the host and reviewing officer for the ceremony.



LT. Col. Christopher Harrington, commander of 147th Medical Logistics Battalion, passes the cased battalion color to Col. Douglas A. Biggerstaff. (courtesy photo)

FCC Provider Awarded Child Care Credential

Audrey Hall of Fort Sam Houston has been awarded a Child Development Association Credential in recognition of outstanding work with young children. The credential was awarded by the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition in Washington D.C. which represents the early childhood profession.

Ms. Hall is the second Family Child Care Provider to be awarded the CDA at Fort Sam

Houston. The CDA is the only major national effort to improve childcare by evaluating and recognizing the skills of individuals providing care. The majority of the states plus the District of Columbia include CDA in childcare licensing regulations.

Every candidate for the CDA credential is observed working with young children and is evaluated by a team, which

includes early childhood experts and parents. The candidate must demonstrate the ability to work with families to develop children’s physical and intellectual capabilities in a safe and healthy learning environment.

Individuals interested in becoming FCC Providers can call 221-3828 or stop by the FCC Office located at 1630-A Sultan Road (behind the Youth Center.)

James R. Evetts
- Director,
Community
Activities
Business Center
presents Audrey
Hall her Child
Development
Associate (CDA)
Credential in
recognition of
outstanding
work with young
children.



Photo by Brian Chambers

FSH Army Air Force Exchange Service 4th of July hours

Main Store, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.	MCCS, Closed
American Eatery, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Service Station, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cinnabon, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Class Six, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Food Court, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Walters Shoppette,
Pextra, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.	7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Mini-Mall (Retail),	Patch Shoppette, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Camp Bullis, Closed
Bookstore, Closed	Burger King, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

New ideas, suggestions can add to bank account

The Army Suggestion Program encourages employees to improve present policy, practices and regulatory constraints, which do not facilitate good management. ASP has been designed to improve morale by providing an opportunity for soldiers and civilian employees to take part voluntarily in the improvement of management within the government.

Ideas are welcome, not resisted. The search for new ideas for improvement and focus on excellence is a part of the U.S. Army Garrison values. The time to suggest is now. Identify the problem and clearly present your solution. If your proposed

ideas can reduce costs, streamline operations, eliminate red tape and improve the quality of life you will be appropriately rewarded.

A suggestion is an idea submitted in writing intended to accomplish a job better, faster and, or cheaper. One or more eligible individuals may submit it on DA Form 1045 to the Activity Suggestion Coordinator or the Fort Sam Houston ASP Coordinator

Cash awards are available for adopted suggestions that result in tangible or intangible benefits. The amount of the award depends on the value of the idea to the government. For example,

when the benefits can be measured in dollars, the award amount is based on 10 percent of those savings during the first year. When benefits cannot be measured in dollars, the award amount is determined by the degree to which it impacts the activity it affects and the extent to which it is applied locally, regionally, and nationally.

Sharing new ideas, exploring new concepts, being recognized and rewarded is the chance you can take to make a difference by identifying areas of potential improvement and savings; your ideas will be greatly appreciated.

AR 5-17 governs the Army Suggestion Program; the propo-

nent agency is the Office of the Chief of Staff, U.S. Army and as such is mandated for Army-wide application and implementation. It provides the standard methods for employees to use to submit ideas and explains evaluation and disposition procedures.

No memorandum is required, just complete a DA Form 1045 readily available through form flow, unit supply, post publica-

tion, or by calling Robert Ruiz at 221-2960 for copies. Ideas must meet established criteria based on the evaluation process to determine whether it merits approval, disapproval, or is already in use or under consideration. Submit your suggestion to address listed above, or through e-mail with attached form flow DA Form 1045; however a signed document will be required.

*Remember:
Conserve Water*



Vehicle washing guidance for post housing residents

Residents may wash vehicles in family housing areas under the following restrictions:

- Always use a nozzle or shut off valve on the hose or use a bucket.
- Do not waste water by letting it run continuously.
- Do not park on the grass while washing the vehicle.
- Follow current water restrictions, when imposed.
- For more information call 221-4842.

MEDCOM comander hosts change of command ceremony

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medical readiness begins.

Looking towards the parade field, at the soldiers standing in formation, Peake closed his remarks by saying, “to all of you in this formation, this ceremony reaffirms the Army’s commitment to you - an excellence of the commander taking the flag today - because you are the future of the AMEDD, you are the future of our Army and of our nation.

God bless you. God bless America. See you on the high ground.”

Kiley echoed Peake’s remarks about what great soldiers we have, thanking the 323rd Army Band and the honor guard. He remarked how the soldiers and the NCOs have accomplished a

lot in a few short years, 91W is up and running, expanded distance learning by creating new learning programs, trained thousands of great young Americans and future soldiers, Camp Bullis won an environmental award, 147th inactivated and created two great new MRI companies, of course all the while securing the most vulnerable post after 911 to become one of the most superior ones, particularly on the backs of the great reserve 443rd MP co and C 2nd/142nd from the 49th Infantry who have been standing at the gates patrolling our perimeter since early Oct. 2001 and have done an exceptionally great job along with the MP.

Kiley thanked the retiree community and special friends in

the audience and his personal staff. Lastly, Kiley turned to Peake and thanked him for letting him have the freedom to lead here, to lead a great organization and great installation with great patience. “I personally appreciate your mentorship and leadership, I thank you for participating today,” said Kiley.

Referring to Porr, Kiley said we are getting a great commander. He is the best, experienced, and you will enjoy his leadership. Kiley concluded his remarks by thanking the non-commissioned officers for taking care of the soldiers. “And finally, to the soldiers, the ones standing in formation, to your left and right, who do everything you ask them to do whether it is right or wrong, expecting us to lead, to

all you young soldiers, thank you very much, keep up the good work.”

Porr extended his thanks to Peake for hosting the ceremony. He expressed his appreciation to the Kiley’s and his staff for making his arrival at Fort Sam Houston as seamless and hassle free as possible. He recognized all distinguished visitors and friends to the ceremony.

“Our business here is training combat medics, no matter what rank, no matter what medical occupational specialty. Our medical system supports those who stand ready, intended to save all those in war and to serve all those in peacetime that we are physically able to serve,” said Porr.

Porr continued, “Our people

here at FSH stand every day ready and stand every night prepared and read to train our people and do it so well because of the great personnel that we have here. Those great personnel are standing out in front of you on this parade field today. My thanks to all who serve here so ably and well, in the past and in the present. Soldiers, you look tremendous, the 323rd Army Band, you add dignity to everything we do, it is a great honor to serve here with such caring professional and tremendous people. I will be forever grateful for the contributions and hard work, both in the past and certainly in the future. All SOPS and policies remain in effect, I’ll see you on the high ground,” concluded Porr.

Call Texas Attorney General to get on ‘no call’ list

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- Calls placed by consumers in response to general media advertising (except calls responding to ads for investment opportunities, credit repair services, recovery room services, or advance-fee loans).
 - Calls placed by consumers in response to direct mail advertising that discloses all the material information required by the Rule (except calls responding to ads for investment opportunities, prize promotions, credit repair services, recovery room services, or advance-fee loans).
 - Catalog sales.
 - Calls that are initiated by the consumer that are not made in response to any solicitation.
 - Sales that are not completed, and payment or authorization for payment is not required, until there is a face-to-face sales presentation.
 - Sales of pay-per-call services and sales of franchises. These are covered by other FTC rules.
- However, a great defense to

telemarketers is placing your name on the Texas “no call” list.

As of January 1, 2002, you can add your name, address and telephone number to the Texas “no call” list. The Texas “no call” list will help limit telemarketing calls to your home.

The statewide “Do Not Call List” applies to any telephone marketer calling a Texas residential phone number. There is a registration charge of \$2.25 for each residential phone number to be included in this list. Your registered residential telephone number(s) will remain on this list for three years. Retail Electric Providers telemarketers calling about your electric service are also subject to the rules for this list. (<http://www.texasnocall.com>).

Telemarketers must obtain the list and comply by July 1, 2002. Lists will be updated for telemarketers on a quarterly basis beginning April 2002. Telemarketers have 60 days from the date of this list to update their internal databases to remove customer numbers and stop calling customers who have regis-

tered in the database. Companies then have 60 days from the date of the last quarterly published list to “scrub” their lists of telephone numbers included in the list. Telemarketers are not permitted to use the “do not” call lists for any purposes other than scrubbing their lists of people to call. TEX. BUS. & COM. CODE § 43.101.

In addition, telephone solicitors may not block their numbers from Caller ID systems. This gives Caller ID subscribers the ability to see if a telemarketer is calling before answering the phone. Telemarketers are bound to this rule regardless of whether you are on the “no call” list. TEX. BUS. & COM. CODE ANN. § 43.051.

Telemarketers may contact customers on the list:

- with whom they have an established business relationship;
- if the customer requests contact;
- to collect a debt;
- on behalf of a non-profit organization or charity, or
- if the telemarketer is a state

licensee (for example – insurance or real estate agent) and:

- the call is not made by an automated device;
- the solicited transaction is not completed without a face-to-face presentation to complete a sales transaction and make payment;
- the consumer has not previously told the licensee that the consumer does not wish to be called.

See the Texas Business and Commercial Code § 43.003 for more information.

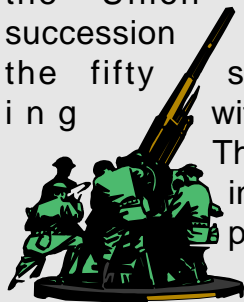
You can sign up easily on line by going to www.TexasNoCall.com. The site is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. You can also request a registration form by calling 1-866-TXNOCAL(L) (1-866-896-6225). If you prefer to work through the U.S. mail, you may write to TEXAS NO CALL, P.O. Box 313, E. Walpole, MA 02032. Online and telephone registrations must be paid by credit card. Mailed applications may be paid by credit card or by check made payable to Texas No Call. For additional information Call: 1-888-309-0600 or send e-mail questions to customerservice@texasnocall.com. Register complaints online at www.TexasNoCall.com

The law also creates a private right of action in civil court for a customer that has been damaged through a violation of the statute. The law also specifies that a customer may recover up to \$1000 for each violation; however, if the violation was willful or knowing violation of the “no call” rules, the penalty can be as large as \$3000 for each violation. TEX. BUS. & COM. CODE ANN. § 43.052.

However, there are many hurdles to overcome before the civil action will be successful. Notwithstanding the hurdles with a civil action, the Attorney General can more easily pursue an action and assess fines on the telemarketer. So, call the Attorney General for the State of Texas if you are receiving telemarketer calls and you are on the Texas “no call” list. The Texas Attorney General Consumer Protection Hotline can be reached at (800) 621-0508. In addition, the Fort Sam Houston Legal Assistance Office is a great resource. The Legal Assistance Office is located in Building 134 on Stanley Road and can be reached at (210) 221-2282.

FSH July 4th Salute to the Union

A display of the fifty state flags will grace the main post flagpole as Fort Sam Houston salutes the two hundred and twenty sixth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on Thursday, July 4th at 11:30 a.m., at the main post flagpole on Stanley Road. The traditional ceremony will feature a cannon salute to the Union fired in succession for each of the fifty states starting with Delaware. The public is invited to this patriotic event.



Health Promotion Center July Class Schedule

The Health Promotion Center offers various health promotion classes on post. Call the Health Promotion Center to register for all classes, except Fibromyalgia Self-Help, Fibromyalgia Support Group, Diabetes Education, Diabetes Support Group, and Weight Management. To register for Diabetes Education call the Internal Medicine Clinic at 916-0840, even if you are in Tricare Prime, select Option 2. To register for Weight Management call Nutrition Care Division at 916-5525. Fibromyalgia Self-Help requires your primary care provider to send a consult to the Behavioral Medicine Clinic.

**Health Promotion Center
July Class Schedule**

Diabetes Support Group	July 1	10:00-11:00 a. m.
COPD Part 1	July 1	1:00-4:00 p. m.
Breast & GYN Cancer Support Group	July 3	9:00-11:00 a. m.
Office Yoga	July 3	Noon-1:00 p. m.
Cholesterol & Lipids	July 8	9:00-11:30 a. m.
Stress Management	July 9	10:00-11:30 a. m.
Diabetes Education	July 9	12:45-4:00 p. m.
Office Yoga	July 10	Noon-1:00 p. m.

Weight Management	July 11	8:30-10:00 a. m.
Self Care & Health	July 11	9:00-11:00 a. m.
Asthma Part 1	July 15	1:00-3:00 p. m.
Arthritis	July 16	9:30-11:00 a. m.
Diabetes Education	July 16	12:45-4:00 p. m.
Tobacco Cessation “Readiness to Change”	July 16	5:00-6:30 p. m.
High Blood Pressure	July 17	9:00-Noon
Office Yoga	July 17	Noon-1:00 p. m.
Fibromyalgia Support Group	July 17	1:00-3:30 p. m.
Body Fat Testing	July 19	8:00-11:00 a. m.
Cholesterol & Lipids	July 22	9:00-11:30 p. m.
Diabetes Education	July 23	12:45-4:00 p. m.
Office Yoga	July 24	Noon-1:00 p. m.
Fibromyalgia Self-Help	July 24	1:00-3:30 p. m.
Self Care & Health	July 25	1:00-3:00 p. m.
Back Pain	July 25	2:00-3:30 p. m.
Breast Health	July 26	11:00-Noon
Weight Management	July 29	1:00-2:30 p. m.

Blood donations needed

Blood donations are needed year round. Soldiers involved in Operation Enduring Freedom are counting on us to be there for them. If you make a fist now, we will give you a hand later. It is important to keep a steady flow of blood donors donating on a regular basis. To donate blood now, call the Akeroyd Blood Donor Center at 295-4655 or 295-4989.



Staff Sgt. Robert Tilghman, a member of the 323rd Army Band, was the command bugler for the change of command ceremony that featured bugle calls directing troop movements.



Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr, incoming Fort Sam Houston commander, and Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, commander, U.S. Army Medical Command and Surgeon General, join Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley for a final inspection of the troops at the change of command ceremony held June 21 at MacArthur Parade Field.



Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, commander, U.S. Army Medical Command and Army Surgeon General, accepts the AMEDDC&S color from Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley prior to transferring command of the installation to Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr, the incoming commander.

*Photos by:
Esther Garcia*



Bandmaster, Chief Warrant Officer John Fraser and Drum Major Staff Sgt. Cornell Herrington, lead the 323rd Army Band during the pass in review as the band performs "American Soldier" and "Host of Freedom".

Porr assumes dual role as commander of the AMEDDC&S and Fort Sam Houston



Fort Sam Houston staff members and friends congratulate and bid farewell to Maj. Gen. Kevin C. Kiley and his wife, Babs, following the change of command ceremony held at MacArthur Parade Field on June 21.



The Fort Sam Houston and San Antonio community welcomes the new installation and center and school commander, Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr, during his reception at the Dustoff Memorial Plaza following the change of command ceremony.



(L to R) Staff Sgt. Matthew Heatherly, Staff Sgt. Darryl Hopkins, Staff Sgt. Lamont Nesbitt, Sgt. 1st Class William Brewer, Staff Sgt. Nathan Bonds, and Sgt. 1st Class Joe Yglecias, members of the Army Medical Department Center and School Color Guard, present colors during the installation change of command ceremony.



Left to right, Col. Gary Sadlon, Human Resource Business Center, Col. Thomas Richardson, Department of Dental Science, Col. Richard Agee, Acting Assistant Commander for Force Integration and Col. Steve Carter, Personnel Proponent Directorate, join Maj. Gen. Darrel R. Porr, incoming installation commander and commander of troops in the pass in review during the change of command ceremony.

Welcome Home Catalog Now Available in Exchanges

No matter where you are stationed, personal touches can make your quarters a welcome retreat. The latest Welcome Home catalog can help you make the most of your living space — it is full of inspirational ideas to add convenience and comfort to your home. Welcome Home offers 100 pages of bed coordinates, home office furniture, lighting and storage solutions, window treatments, area rugs, patio décor and much more.

Look for the catalog in exchanges worldwide beginning July 1. Anyone with exchange privileges can order from this catalog until December 26, so be sure to pick-up a copy at an exchange near you. For extra convenience, you can also order from the Exchange Online Store via the Internet by visiting www.aafes.com, www.usmc-mccs.org, www.navy-nex.com or www.cg-exchange.com.



Career Clips

The Army Career and Alumni Program office provides numerous services to eligible people in transition including job assistance. Information on these and other positions is available to ACAP customers in the ACAP office, Bldg. 2264 or call 221-1213.

Technical Documentation Specialist. San Antonio. Local firm seeking individuals with general knowledge of English grammar, style and format obtained from college coursework and on-the-job training to assist in the technical documentation and production process, write draft texts and edit for grammar and format.

Office Assistant. San Antonio. Assist in daily customer service functions, handle all incoming calls and work with office and branch managers in following up on customer service inquiries. The assistant will also take incoming sales calls when necessary.

Human Resources Assistant. Provide assistance to employees and visitors on the telephone and in person, complete daily data entry, maintain employee files, and perform mandatory record keeping and reporting. Assist manager in all functions as assigned.

Laboratory Manager (Food Science). San Antonio. Supervise laboratory operations and perform professional analytical and microbiological testing of food products and environmental samples. Responsible for application and evaluation of approved microbiological techniques and methodologies used in analysis of food products.



Bike rodeo teaches children safety

By Julia Anders
Special to the News Leader

The Fort Sam Houston annual Bike Rodeo and Safety Helmet Clinic was held recently at the School Age Services Building. The event was sponsored by The Law Enforcement Command; Director of Environment, Safety and Fire (DSEF), Safety Office; and School Age Services.

The Bike Rodeo and Safety Helmet Clinic is a fun way to learn bicycle safety. McGruff the crime dog and the Law Enforcement Officers greeted the participants. The Law Enforcement Command provided free fingerprinting to children. Sparky and the firemen arrived in a fire truck to the delight of the children.

The safety office fitted military and family members with new safety helmets. Each child pledged to wear safety helmets when skating, riding scooters, and cycling.

Children and adults were encouraged to read and review all the handouts on "How to

Wear a Bike Helmet" and "Safe Bike Riders Guide". The bike rodeo consists of a bicycle inspection and station skill test. Trophies were provided to first, second, and third place winners in each age category. The winners were:

3-5 year olds:
Jacob Abbott, 1st place trophy
Zach Warren, 2nd place trophy
Triston Gwaltury, 3rd place trophy

6-8 year olds:
Jeffery Rodewald, 1st place trophy
Alicia Shea & Zachary Abbott, tied for 2nd place trophy
Andre Castello, 3rd place trophy

9-11 year olds:
Sarah Banks, 1st place trophy
Ryan Edwards, 2nd place trophy
Bria McLain & Joshua Naddien, tied for 3rd place trophy

12-14 year olds:
Shaka Salmon, 1st place trophy

The closing ceremonies included a drawing for prizes. Robert Mora was the winner of the first prize, a bicycle donated by the Army Air Force Exchange

Service. Since children learn by example it is important that you and your child wear a helmet every time and everywhere you ride a bike... even if it's around the block. If you are planning to buy your child a bicycle, make sure you buy a helmet at the same time. Today's safety helmets are more comfortable, better fitting and easier to wear than ever before. A safety helmet is the single most effective device for reducing head injury and death from biking incidents. Please take time to talk to your child about the importance of wearing a helmet.

Every year 350,000 children under the age of 15 go to hospital emergency rooms with bicycle-related injuries; 130,000 of these children suffer head injuries. Unlike broken limbs or bruises, a head injury can be forever. The typical bike crash occurs within a mile of home. And all it takes is one fall to cause serious damage. Take the Family Safety Helmet Pledge. "We pledge to protect ourselves by wearing safety helmets every time we ride a bike."

How To Wear A Safety Helmet

- Make sure the helmet:
- is worn low and level on your forehead, two finger-widths above your eyebrows.
 - sits evenly between your ears and flat on your head.
 - does not slide from side-to-side or front-to-back.
 - has a chin strap that fits securely.
- Test the Chin Strap: Slide your finders under the chinstrap. Then take your finger away. The chinstrap should snap back

Sarah Banks won 1st place in the 9 to 11 year old category at the Bike Rodeo. Children were tested in various bicycle-riding skills.



into place. **Choosing A Safety Helmet** Look for the label that says the helmet meets U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission safety standards. All bike helmets made in, or imported to, the United States must meet the safety standard set by the CPSC. Make sure the helmet fits comfortably and securely. Army regulations require that

everyone, adult and children, is required to wear a safety helmet when cycling on Fort Sam Houston. If you work or live on Fort Sam Houston the FSH Safety Office provides free fittings and instructions to you and your dependents on the right way to wear a safety helmet, please call the Safety Office, 221-9868, to make an appointment.



McGruff, the crime dog, visits with children at the Bike Rodeo. The Law Enforcement Command provided free fingerprinting to the participants.



The Safety Helmet Clinic provided free helmets and a fitting class to Bike Rodeo participants. Children pledged to wear safety helmets when skating, riding scooters, and cycling.

Frequently Asked Questions about CHAMPVA

1. What is CHAMPVA?
CHAMPVA (the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs) is a federal health benefits program administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. CHAMPVA is a Fee for Service (indemnity plan) program. CHAMPVA provides reimbursement for most medical expenses - inpatient, outpatient, mental health, prescription medication, skilled nursing care, and durable medical equipment (DME). There is a very limited adjunct dental benefit that requires pre-authorization.

2. Who is eligible for CHAMPVA?

a. To be eligible for CHAMPVA, you cannot be eligible for TRICARE (formerly called CHAMPUS) and you must be in one of these categories:

(1) the spouse or child of a veteran who has been rated 100% permanently and totally disabled for a service connected disability by a VA regional office, or

(2) the surviving spouse or child of a veteran who died from a VA-rated service connected disability, or who, at the time of

death, was rated 100% permanently and totally disabled, or

(3) the surviving spouse or child of a military member who died in the line of duty, not due to misconduct (in most of these cases, these family members are eligible for TRICARE, not CHAMPVA).

b. To be eligible for CHAMPVA benefits over age 65, you must also meet the following conditions:

(1) if you turned 65 before June 5, 2001, and only have Medicare Part A, you will be eligible for CHAMPVA without having to have Medicare Part B coverage.

(2) if you turned 65 before June 5, 2001 and have Medicare Parts A and B, you must keep both Parts to be eligible.

(3) if you turn age 65 on or after June 5, 2001, you must be enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B to be eligible.

3. What is the definition of:

a. Service-connected: a VA regional office determination that a veteran's illness or injury was incurred or aggravated while on active duty military service

and resulted in some degree of disability.

b. Sponsor: the veteran upon whom CHAMPVA eligibility for the applicant is based

c. Spouse: wife, husband, widow, widower of a CHAMPVA sponsor whose legal relationship has been established by a VA regional office. In some cases, this may include a remarried surviving spouse whose remarriage ended because of death, divorce or annulment.

d. Child: legitimate, illegitimate, adopted and stepchildren whose legal relationship has been established by a VA regional office. To be eligible for CHAMPVA, the child must be unmarried and:

(1) under age 18, or

(2) between age 18 and age 23 and enrolled in a full-time course of study at an approved educational institution (more on this below), or

(3) who, prior to age 18, became permanently incapable of self-support as rated by a VA regional office.

e. A child's eligibility is not affected by the divorce/remar-

riage of a sponsor and spouse except in the case of stepchildren who leave the sponsor's household. In this case, the stepchildren are no longer eligible for CHAMPVA.

4. What does CHAMPVA pay? CHAMPVA pays 75% of the allowable charge for outpatient care. Beneficiaries pay the remaining amount. Payments for inpatient care are based on several conditions, and is approximately 75% of the allowable charge.

5. Can I have other insurance and use CHAMPVA? Yes. Many beneficiaries carry other major health insurance. In this case, CHAMPVA is a second payor. Some beneficiaries also have a CHAMPVA supplemental insurance policy. In this case CHAMPVA pays first and the supplement pays second.

6. What is the impact of MEDICARE on CHAMPVA?

a. For individuals with MEDICARE coverage, CHAMPVA pays after MEDICARE. In most, but not all cases, this results in no out of pocket expenses for you.

b. CHAMPVA does not pay MEDICARE Part B premiums.

c. Individuals with MEDICARE and CHAMPVA coverage normally would not need a supplemental insurance plan since these two programs cover a broad range of services and through coordination of benefits, there is seldom an out of pocket expense for a beneficiary.

7. What kind of certification is required for individuals between age 18 and 23 who are in school? A student must be taking at least 12 credit hours per semester (or equivalent quarter hours). The school must certify this information and the certification must include the starting and ending date of the school period for which the student is registered, and the student's social security number. The certification must be on school letterhead and signed. It can be mailed or faxed (303-331-7809). CHAMPVA Fact Sheet 01-2 has more detailed information on school certifications.

Boss follies a big hit with soldiers at Hacienda

By Ben Paniagua
Special to the News Leader

A standing room only crowd filled the auditorium of the Hacienda Recreation Center last Thursday night to watch an exciting production of "Fort Sam Houston Presents BOSS Follies, a fully staged, costumed, and choreographed musical production that featured an all soldier cast.

This was Fort Sam Houston's entry in the 2002 FORSCOM

Festival of the Performing Arts and Recreation Center Program Competition. A team of three judges from FORSCOM was in the audience to judge the production and they included: Darryl Allara, Dallas, Texas; Ken Freehill, Dallas, Texas; and Joe Leavell, HQ U.S. Army Forces Command. Awards for talent and production from all of the participating installations will be announced later this year. Kicking off the show was a rousing number featuring five

Las Vegas showgirls dancing to "Dancing Queen" that was followed by an array of talent that featured country western music, classical, swing dancing, a one man barbershop quartet, popular music, ballet, latin jazz, and an exciting salsa number that featured the entire cast. The capacity crowd, comprised mostly of soldiers and their families, roared and cheered their approval of each act and the cast received a standing

ovation at the end of the production. Command Sergeant Major Johnny C. Gray, United States Army Garrison and Senior Military Advisor to the Fort Sam Houston BOSS Program, presented certificates of appreciation and BOSS coins to each of the cast members at the end of the production. SPC Jeffrey Briere, President of the Fort Sam Houston BOSS Program who also was the

Master of Ceremonies for the show, commented that "our goal was primarily to have a show consisting of soldiers entertaining soldiers and their families. And I think we totally succeeded." Any monetary awards presented by U.S. Army Forces Command for this production will go the BOSS Program to further the needs of single soldiers of the installation and to improve their quality of life.



Photo by Jeffrey Briere
Spc. Conita Hoyle (left) and Pvt. Amanda Metzger (right) perform as Las Vegas showgirls in BOSS Follies at the Hacienda.



Photo by Emily Freeman
The cast of BOSS Follies perform an exciting Salsa number in BOSS Follies at the Hacienda.

Recreation and Fitness News

Read Across Texas at the Fort Sam Houston Library – The Fort Sam Houston Library is conducting its annual summer reading program for children in pre-school through eighth grades. The program is designed to keep children reading through the summer. Register at the Fort Sam Houston Library and keep track of all of the books you read. Children enrolled in the program can earn a brand new book, a certificate and a "Read Across Texas" T-shirt. For more information call the Library at 221-4702/4170.

Summer Youth Horsemanship Program – The Fort Sam Houston Riding Stables offers its weeklong Youth Horsemanship every Monday through Friday from now until the first week in August. A special advance camp will be offered July 1 – 3. Campers take part in trail rides, caring for horses, games on horseback and more. The camp is open to military sponsored youth between the ages of 7 and 18. For more information, call 224-7207.

Heart of Texas Triathlons – There are three more triathlons in the Heart of Texas Triathlon series. July 14, August 4 and August 18. All triathlons start at the Fort Sam Houston Aquatics Center, 3300 Williams Road. Early registration for these races is a MUST. Call 221-1234 or 826-1888 for more information. The Heart of Texas Triathlon Championship is scheduled for September 8 at Canyon Lake.

3-D Archery Shoot – Head to the Camp Bullis Recreation Area for their monthly archery shoot Saturday and Sunday, July 27 & 28. Call 295-7577 for more information.

August 21 – Military Family Appreciation Night – General Mills is saying "Thank You" to the military community by offering free ticket vouchers to the Missions Baseball game Wednesday, August 21. Call 221-2926/2307 to reserve your ticket vouchers today.

Varsity Flag Football – Coaches are needed. Please send resumes to Earl Young, Jimmy Brought Fitness Center, Bldg 320 or email Earl.Young@cen.amedd.army.mil . Call 221-1180 for more details.

Varsity Basketball - Coaches are needed. Please send resumes to Earl Young, Jimmy Brought Fitness Center, Bldg 320 or email Earl.Young@cen.amedd.army.mil . Call 221-1180 for more details.

Certified Aerobic and Yoga Instructors Wanted – Aerobic and Yoga Instructors are wanted at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. Please call Lucian Kimble at 221-2020 or email Lucian.Kimble@cen.amedd.army.mil for more information.

Echo Company, 187th Medical Battalion 2002 Combat Medic Run results

1st place winners for the Guidon Relay and Litter Relay event at the 2002 Combat Medic Run held Saturday, June 20 at MacArthur Parade Field was E Company, 187th Medical Battalion. 1st place for the best overall unit was the 187th Medical Battalion.



Photo by Esther Garcia

Sports Standings

X-tramural Basketball Standings As of 24 June, 2002			DFAS			ITBC		
TEAM	W	L	8	3	7	443 rd MP Co	17	0
BAMC	5	1	HHC MEDCOM	7	7	Charlie Grunts Blue	0	
USAG	5	1	DCSS	6	6	Intramural Golf Standings		
Ill Funk	4	2	LDB	6	7	Update as of 20 Jun 02		
Old School	3	3	Fire Dept	5	6	Place	Team	Points
NCO Academy	3	3	443 rd MP Co	6	8	1 st	USAG/CPAC	25.5
DFAS	3	3	ITBC	5	8	2 nd	VETCOM	24
5 th Bde	1	5	Charlie Grunts Blue	9		3 rd	CSBPO Plus	23.5
Co A STB	0	6	SA MEPS	4	10	Co C Acad Bn (DMRTI)23.5		
22 June, 2002			Charlie Grunts Green	3	11	5 th	ISR	23
DFAS	68		USAMISSA	1	11	6 th	BAMC #2	22
Ill Funk	61		17 Jun 02			7 th	HQ 5 th Army #1	21
BAMC	60		BAMC	13		8 th	BAMC #1*	18
Old School	55		ITBC	8		9 th	ITBC	18
USAG	44		443 rd MP Co	9		10 th	HQ 5 th Army #3	17.5
NCO Academy	37		Charlie Grunts Green	6		11 th	HQ 5 th Army #2	17
5 th Bde	51		LDB	7		12 th	STB	16.5
Co A STB	40		SA MEPS	0 (Forfeit)		13 th	MEDCOM #2	16
Spring Softball Standings			19 Jun 02			14 th 5 th Recruiting Bde	15	
20 Jun 02			DMRTI	23		187 th Med Bn		
Place	W	L	Charlie Grunts Green	11		16 th C Co 2/1 '42 nd Inf #2	13	
BAMC	14	0	DMRTI	15		17 th	NCO Academy	11
5 th Army	11	2	LDB	10		18 th	Co C 2/142 nd Inf #1*	8
NCO Academy	9	2	LDB	14		19 th	MEDCOM #1	5.5
DMRTI	9	4	DCSS	2		20 th	232 ND Med Bn	0
			DCSS	7		*Commander's Cup Representative		
			SA MEPS	0 (Forfeit)				
			Charlie Grunts Blue	11				

Wayland Baptist University announces June graduates

The Fort Sam Houston Continuing Education Center congratulates the following Wayland Baptist University Spring 2002 graduates:
Staff Sgt. Umberto Avila
Pfc. Edgardo Baez
Staff Sgt. William Barnes
Staff Sgt. Gary Berkley
Master Sgt. Michael Berthiaume, Ret.
Staff Sgt. William Brewer
Sgt. Christopher Bunton
David Burgess, Jr.
Sgt. 1st Class John Cassata
Sgt. 1st Class Herbert Clayburn
Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Closser-

Gomez
Rose Davis
Master Sgt. Tony Davis
Sgt. 1st Class Fermin Feria, Ret.
Sgt. 1st Class Manuel Garcia
Master Sgt. Deborah Garland
Staff Sgt. Mary Ham
Spc. James Herring
Master Sgt. Abe Hunter, Ret.
Sgt. James Jackson
Sgt. 1st Class Alvin Johnson
Staff Sgt. Harrison Jules
Sgt. 1st Class Bradford Kelly
Sgt. 1st Class Dawn Martens
Staff Sgt. Edna Martin
Sgt. 1st Class Louis Mc Bride
Spc. Mona McFadden

Kelly Melvin
Sgt. 1st Class Jamie Meriwether
Staff Sgt. Sheila Mickelson
Spc. Nixon Mkubwa
Sgt. 1st Class Kathy Myrick
Sgt. 1st Class Henry Myrick II
Pfc. Trentiss Nelson
Michelle Owens
Sgt. Mark Person
Sgt. Darwin Pettis
Master Sgt. James Pimpedly III
Oscar Ramos-Rivera
Spc. Lillian Richarson
Staff Sgt. Debra Robinson
Sgt. Daniel Rutan
Staff Sgt. Delilah Santiago
1st. Sgt. Jorge Senquiz, Ret.

Chief Warrant Officer Vivian Smith
Staff Sgt. Rita Smith-Clay
Master Sgt. Raphael Sorhaindo, Ret.
Staff Sgt. William St. Clergy
Staff Sgt. Melissa Thomas
Master Sgt. William Torres
Sgt. 1st Class Kenneth Tyson

Staff Sgt. Travis Waldron
Staff Sgt. Michael Weaver
Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Weis
Sgt. 1st Class Bobby Wells
Sgt. Maj. Harvey Williams, Ret.
Sgt. 1st Class Wendi Williams
Cpt. Janet Worley
Sgt. 1st Class Balfour Wright

Fort Freebies

All Freebies are published on a first come, first serve basis. Commercial advertisements are prohibited. The deadline is noon Monday. Freebies are intended solely for personal household goods and privately owned property, and may only be submitted by active, retired or reserve component military members and civilian employees working on Fort Sam Houston. To submit paid classified ads or commercial advertising, contact Prime Time at 453-3300. To submit a Fort Freebie, e-mail it to: news.leader@amedd.army.mil or fax it to 221-1198. Ensure your military/Fort Sam Houston civil service status, phone number and name appears on request.

Lost: Dell Laptop, Latitude 810 serial number: 1G22B11. If found call the Installation Chaplains Office at 221-5004.

For Sale: Kenmore dryer works well \$200 or best offer. TY Beanie Babies make offer. Working typewriter \$25. Somerset 624-9570.

For Sale: 1974 Ford Ranchero, runs, needs minor repairs \$1,500 or best offer. Four-piece living room sectional, denim blue \$350 or best offer. Call 637-0329.

For Sale: Pair of Bose

901 Series VI (Black Console) with equalizer and stands, paid \$1,500 will sell for \$1,000. 800 watt Yamaha Power Amplifier (Black), paid \$850 will sell for \$450. All items slightly used and are still in original boxes. Call 342-1699.

For Sale: 157 Comic Books of various titles and years ranging from 1977-1997 (DC Comics and Marvel Comic). Valued at \$398 cost, \$514 collectors value, asking \$200 for the set. Also various sports card baseball, football and hockey 900+ cards for \$75. Call 391-6970.

For Sale: 1996 Saab SE Turbo Convertible, computer, heated leather seats, power windows, keyless entry, power top. Book value \$16,000 will sell for \$9,999. Will take golf cart or motorcycle plus cash, must sell, to make offer call 930-7665 or 240-6154.

For Sale: Baby high chair and crib mattress \$20 call 930-7665 or 240-6154.

For Sale: 1990 Honda Civic, auto, very clean, lot of miles, lots more left. Has new tires, new ignition system



\$1,500. Makes a good second vehicle. Call 654-7480 and leave message.

For Sale: Matching sofa and love seat, \$250. Queen size bedroom set with mattress, frame, night stand, dresser and mirror, \$500. Glass tabletop dining room with four chairs \$125. One-piece black entertainment center \$100. Six drawer oak wood dresser \$100. Call 221-2944.

Post worship schedule

Protestant

Sunday:

8 a.m. Service, AMEDD Regimental Chapel, Bldg. 1398
9 a.m. Traditional Service, Installation Chaplain's Office, Bldg.2530
9:15 a.m. Troop Service, Evans Auditorium, Bldg. 1396
10 a.m. Service, BAMC Chapel
10:45 a.m. Gospel Service, Dodd Field Chapel, Bldg. 1721
11 a.m. Service, AMEDD Regimental Chapel
11:15 a.m. Gospel Service, Evans Auditorium
12:30 Spanish Service, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

Wednesday:

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. PWOC meeting, Dodd Field Chapel (Childcare is provided for those who attend PWOC meeting).
12 p.m. Bible Study, Dodd Field Chapel
12 p.m. Service, BAMC Chapel

Catholic

Saturday:

5:30 p.m. Mass, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

Sunday:

8:30 a.m. Mass, BAMC Chapel
9:15 a.m. Mass, Dodd Field Chapel
9:15 a.m. Mass, AMEDD Regimental Chapel
11:15 a.m. Mass, BAMC Chapel
*12:45 p.m. Mass, Dodd Field Chapel
*Bilingual Mass on 1st Sunday of the month (For information call 590-6593).

Weekdays:

11 a.m. Mass, BAMC Chapel
11:30 a.m. Mass, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

1st Friday:

9 a.m. Mass Catholic Women, Dodd Field Chapel

Jewish

Friday:

8 p.m. Service, Dodd Field Chapel
8:30 p.m. Oneg Shabbat, Dodd Field Chapel (For information call 379-8666 or 493-6660)

Mormon

Sunday:

10:30 a.m. Bldg. 1350, Room 1, Koehler Road, across from Evans Auditorium

Tuesday:

7 p.m. LDS Studies, AMEDD Regimental Chapel

Muslim

Sunday:

10:30 a.m. Religious Education, Bldg. 607A, Infantry Post

Friday:

1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Prayer Service, Bldg. 607A, Infantry Post

Thursday:

8 p.m. Adult Religious Education, Bldg. 607A, Infantry Post

Note: The Post Gift Chapel is closed for renovations indefinitely.

Chaplain Administrative Offices are located at Dodd Field Chapel, Bldg. 1721, phone number 221-5432. Garrison staff duty officer, (after duty) 221-2810.





Community events

FSH Commissary Truckload Case – Lot Sale, June 28-30

Fort Sam Houston Commissary truckload sale will be held Friday, June 28 through Sunday, June 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Veteranos, a Legacy of Valor and Tribute

The Military Order of the Purple Heart and Four Brown hats Entertainment present “Veteranos, A Legacy of Valor and Tribute,” at the Lila Cockrell Theatre, 101 East Market Street, San Antonio on June 28, 29 and 30 at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

General Admission tickets are \$15, military and students with ID Card \$10, and Purple Heart recipients free with DD214 or medal citation. For information call Bill Bacon at 682-2818. This presentation was written and directed by Enrique Castillo, produced by Ernesto Quintero and Executive Producer is Danny Haro.

Patriots celebrate July 4

Granaderos de Galvez will celebrate Spain’s support of the American Revolution with a drum and bugle unit and will fire a 21 rifle salute using authentic replicas of period muskets and will be dressed in period uniforms. The event will be held at the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in the circle of flags area starting at 9:30 a.m.

VETCOM change of command ceremony, July 11

Veterinary Command change of command ceremony will be held Thursday, July 11 at 8 a.m., MacArthur Parade Field. Outgoing commander is Col. Thomas Pool. Incoming commander is Col. Charles Kelsey, Jr. Inclement weather site is the Roadrunner Community Center, Building 2797 Stanley Road.

Night in Old Fredericksburg, July 19-20

Night in Old Fredericksburg celebrates 39 years of fun. The citizens of Fredericksburg, Texas will celebrate their German heritage with some sausage, sauerkraut, cold drinks, singing and dancing. For information call the Fest Office at 1-866-TEX-FEST.

MOPH Alamo Chapter 1836 Meetings

The Military Order of the Purple Heart, Alamo Chapter 1836, will hold its monthly meetings at the Roadrunner Community Center, Bldg. 2797 beginning at 10 a.m. The following are the meeting scheduled dates for the remainder of the year: August 3, September 7 October 5, November 2 and December 7. Members of the MOPH, who do not have a DoD sticker on their vehicle, should enter FSH through the Walter’s gate entrance to obtain a pass.

Military Family Appreciation Night, August 21

General Mills is saying “Thank You” by offering free tickets to the Missions Baseball games. Vouchers for these games will be available at Carlson Wagonlit Travel one week prior to the event. Coupons are redeemed at the Nelson Wolff Stadium for actual tickets. Call 221-2926 or 221-2307 to reserve tickets. Special prize drawings will be held in conjunction with the Military Family Appreciation Night. Twenty special collector’s camouflaged jerseys will be given away as part of the prize drawing. Registration for the prizes will be done by printing your name, address, and phone number on the back of Box Tops For Education portion of a General Mills product. Registration boxes will be located throughout the installation and at the ballpark on Military Family Appreciation Night.

¿Que Pasa?

Volunteers needed

Medical volunteers needed by Salvation Army

Looking for a small group of licensed medical volunteers to conduct physicals for children attending the Salvation Army Camps this summer. Interested personnel should call Cathy Tompkins at (210) 352-200, extension 231.

Calling all single soldiers to join BOSS

The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 2:30 p.m. at the Hacienda Recreation Center. The BOSS committee was established at the installation to provide soldier input to the commander, who will use the committee’s recommendations to improve single soldier’s Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs to enhance quality of life. For more information, contact the current BOSS president Spc. Jeffrey Briere at 637-2229.

BAMC needs Partner in Healing volunteers

BAMC seeks volunteers to provide in-house patient transportation. Nurses rely on the patient transport program to stay on the wards and focus on quality patient care. Join the kind and dedicated team of volunteers who provide this important service to the patients. Call 916-5083 to become a BAMC Partner in Healing.

Marathon runners sought for the New York City Marathon

The deadline is fast approaching for Fort Sam Houston and other area military runners who would like to participate in the New York City Marathon Nov. 3. Entry fee is \$7, and entrants are selected by lottery. For additional marathon details visit the Website www.nyrrc.org. To join the group or for information, call Sgt. Lorna E. Lewis at 916-0605 or 210-241-7385.

Meetings

MOMS club meet, July 1

The MOMS Club of San Antonio, a support group for stay-at-home moms and their children, will meet on Monday, July 1 from 9:45 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. The Club meets at the King of Kings Lutheran Church, 13888 Dreamwood Drive. For more information call Sandi at 566-8162.

In the classroom

Read Across Texas at the Fort Sam Houston Library

The Fort Sam Houston Library will conduct its annual summer reading program for children in pre-school through eighth grades. This program is designed to keep youngsters reading throughout the summer. Register at the Fort Sam Houston Library and keep track of all the books you read. Children enrolled in the program will earn a brand new book, a certificate and a “Read Across Texas” T-shirt. For information, call 221-4702 or 221-4170.

Summer schedule for NorthEast ISD classes

Registration is underway for the NorthEast Community Education summer session. Classes ranging from computers to cooking will be offered in June. Several camps for children will also be offered including drama camp and musical composition camp sponsored by Texas Public Radio.

Classes will be offered at dozens of convenient locations including Churchill and Alamo Heights high schools and the Ruble Center. For information call the NorthEast Community Education at 657-8866 or visit their Website at www.neisd.net

ESL classes taught at the Roadrunner

English as a Second Language classes are held on Fort Sam Houston at the Roadrunner Community Center and are free. They are designed especially for

foreign-born spouses to increase reading comprehension, vocabulary, and pronunciation. Classes are appropriate for beginner, intermediate and advanced students with individualized group instruction. The Army Community Service Relocation Assistance Program and the Region 20 Education Center sponsor classes. To register, call 221-2418.

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Commissary stays open Jul 4

Fort Sam Houston Commissary will be open Thursday, July 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 6 p.m.

FSH Officers and NCO Clubs closed, July 4 and 5

The Fort Sam Houston Officers and NCO Clubs will be closed July 4 and 5 in observance of Independence Day.

Celebrate July 4 at the Post Museum

The Fort Sam Houston Museum will be open to visitors on July 4th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to celebrate Independence Day. For information call 221-1886.

The Army Medical Department Museum will be closed Thursday July 4

A76 Initial Decision Announcement, July 15

The U.S. Army Garrison Commander, Col. Douglas A. Biggerstaff will make the A76 Initial Decision Announcement to the Garrison work force on Monday, July 15, 8:00 a.m., at the Fort Sam Houston main post flagpole located on Stanley Road.

Space Available Travel Information

You may be eligible to travel on space available to Germany, Guam, Japan, Korea, or Puerto Rico. For information on restrictions for overseas travel, required documentation for sponsors and dependent travelers using Space Available, call the Lackland Passenger Terminal (Kelly Field Annex) at (210) 925-8715 or visit the spacea@lackland.af.mil Website.

Enjoy a \$1 dinner at the USO

The USO offers a \$1 dinner every Saturday at 6 p.m. Enjoy a great “home cooked” meal and then explore what downtown San Antonio has to offer or take advantage of free pool and foosball tables, movies, game room and family room. The USO is open to all military personnel and their families Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. For more information, call the USO at 227-9373.

Kraft Foods sponsor essay contest

Kraft Foods is sponsoring a “salute to military families” youth essay contest. A \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bond will be awarded to a military family youth 18 years or younger with a valid military ID card. The essay contest topic is “The Person I Admire.” It should not exceed 1,000 words. Contestant’s essay should include their name, age, telephone number, and their installation. Winners will be asked to show identification. The essays should be post-marked by August 15, 2002 and mailed to: San Antonio Missions Baseball Club, Oscar Mayer Youth Essay Contest, 5757 Highway 90 West, San Antonio TX 78277.

Course offered to Assist Women achieve ‘Personal and Academic Success’ at SAC

The San Antonio College Women’s Center is assisting women in registering for the student development course, “Personal and Academic Success.” The course will be offered during the fall semester at San Antonio College, which runs from Aug. 26 through Dec. 8.

Students may choose from two sections offered: Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:15-6:30 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:25-10:40 a.m.

The course fulfills student orientation requirements. The Women’s Center is offering free textbook assistance for this course. For information, call 733-2299.